IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

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Title:

MODULAR FEMORAL COMPONENT FOR A TOTAL KNEE JOINT REPLACEMENT FOR MINIMALLY INVASIVE IMPLANTATION

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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION OF PATENT TERM ADJUSTMENT FOR PATENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.705(d)

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants have calculated PTA for the captioned patent and have determined that the patent is entitled to 1177 days of Patent Term Adjustment, as shown on the attached sheet, which shows the relevant delays under 37 CFR §§1.702, 1.703 and 1.704:

(a) Total PTO delay:

1198 days

(b) Total Applicant delay:

21 days

Final PTA Determination under 37 CFR §1.703(f): 1177 days

In accordance with 1.705(b)(2)(ii), the relevant dates as specified in §§1.703(a) through (e) for which an adjustment is sought and the adjustment as specified in § 1.703(f) to which the patent is entitled are clearly represented in the attached PTA Calculation.

The relevant dates where the applicant is not in agreement with the PTO's determination are discussed in more detail below.

In accordance with 37 CFR. 1.702(b) and 35 U.S.C. 154(b)(1)(B) the three year patent term adjustment period should be calculated from the "actual filing date", i.e. April 23, 2005, to the date of issuance September 21, 2010. The three year period begins at the "actual filing date" which is defined as the date the national stage commenced under 35 U.S.C. 371(b).

In accordance with $\S1.705(b)(2)(iv)(A)$, the circumstances during the prosecution of the application resulting in the patent that constitute a failure to engage in reasonable efforts to conclude processing or examination of such application as set forth in § 1.704 are clearly represented in the attached PTA Calculation.

Applicants therefore respectfully request that the patent be accorded 1177 days PTA.

A credit card payment form in the amount of \$200.00 to cover the fee stated in 37 C.F.R. § 1.18(e) is enclosed for this request.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.705, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by the credit card payment form being unsigned, providing incorrect information resulting in a rejected credit card transaction, or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

However, because this PTA error is due to a Patent Office error in interpreting and applying the PTA statute, a refund of the fee is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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